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Op-Ed in liberal Folha de S. Paulo (7-28) by Clovis Rossi states:
"It seems to be getting clearer and clearer that out of the four Brics (Brazil, Russia, India and China), the one that the U.S. really treats as a 'brick' is China (if brick can be synonymous with solidity)....Obama and Lula have already decided to reactivate ministerial level meetings between the two countries but the U.S. rush seems to be turned toward Asia.....Nonetheless, the climate change issue is global and Brazil and China....have opposed the rich country proposals of setting targets on gas emission cuts.....It is important to see if China will consult its partners from the Brics on this issue or if it will prefer to hold a direct dialogue [with the U.S.]...."